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Attached is a set of claims for  
RCA 88206 as originally filed, including  
a signature page. The claims  
are the same as earlier faxed as  
Exhibit A.

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EXPRESS MAIL LABEL NO. EE438856544US

RCA 88206

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR INTERFACING  
MULTIPLE ELECTRONIC DEVICES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In the US national phase application of  
PCT/US97/01685 filed herewith, please enter the following  
amendments.

In the Claims:

✓ Cancel originally filed Claims 1 through 4. Add Claims 5 - 19  
as identified below.

*Add B17* 5. (Newly added) A method for scheduling events between  
first and second video processing devices coupled together, each  
device having at least one event timer for storing a scheduled  
event, said method comprising:

- a1*
- a. programming information pertaining to a first event  
into an available event timer of said first device;
  - b. comparing said first event information to information  
pertaining to each event previously scheduled in said first device  
for determining conflicts therebetween;